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In re patent application of:

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**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR  
RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action dated June 13, 2001 concerning the above-referenced patent application.

**REMARKS**

Receipt of the Office Action mailed June 13, 2001 is acknowledged. No claims have been added, canceled or amended. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections are respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

**I. Withdrawal of claims 12-14**

Applicant acknowledges withdrawal of process claims 12 to 14 from consideration. While applicant does not acquiesce to the Examiner's rationale regarding alleged lack of common technical features for holding lack of unity, rejoinder and examination of these claims pursuant to MPEP 812.04 was respectfully requested upon a finding that claim 1 is allowable.